

**AUBURN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
**March 8, 2004, 6:00 p.m.**

The Regular Session of the Auburn City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall at 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn, California with Mayor Cheryl Maki presiding and City Clerk Joseph G.R. Labrie recording the minutes.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**Council Members Present:** Kathy Sands, Alice Dowdin, Kevin Hanley, Mike Holmes, Mayor Cheryl Maki

**Council Members Absent:** None

**Staff Members Present:** City Manager Bob Richardson  
City Attorney Charles Wachob  
Fire Chief Mark D'Ambrogi  
Community Development Director Will Wong  
Engineering Division Manager Bernie Schroeder  
Interim Building Official Rick Walters  
Public Works Director Tom Fossum

**MAYOR'S COMMENDATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

Item 5 was continued.

## CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **Council Minutes**

By **MOTION** approve City Council Minutes of January 12, 2004.

2. **Authorization of Fire Chief to Sign Agreement**

By **RESOLUTION 04-23** authorize the Fire Chief to sign the Agreement for Mutual Fire Protection Aid.

3. **Auburn Union Elementary School Project**

By **RESOLUTION 04-24** authorize the Director of Public Works to execute a construction contract with Gary Doupnik Manufacturing, Inc. for the Auburn Elementary School Administration Building on Epperle Lane for an amount not to exceed \$358,882.00.

4. **Consultant Agreement for Building Plan Review and Inspection Services**

By **RESOLUTION 04-25** authorize the Community Development Director to execute a consultant agreement between the City of Auburn and Linhart Petersen Powers Associates for building plan review and inspection services.

5. **Anderson Parcel Map**

Continued.

6. **Janitorial Services – Auburn Multimodal Station**

By **RESOLUTION 04-27** authorize the Director of Public Works to execute an agreement with Lavender Rose Cleaning Services for janitorial services at the Auburn Multimodal Station for an amount not to exceed \$4,320.00.

7. **Cost Sharing of Agard Street Improvements completed by the Placer Union High School District**

- A. By **RESOLUTION 04-28** approve an amendment to the 2003-2004 Transportation Tax Fund #26 by allocating \$34,433 of the cash reserve for the City's share of improvements to Agard Street.
- B. By **RESOLUTION 04-29** authorize the payment of \$34,433 to the Placer Union High School District for the City's share of improvements to Agard completed in April 2003.

\*\*\*\*\* End of Consent Calendar \*\*\*\*\*

By **MOTION** approve Consent Calendar as amended. **MOTION: Sands/Dowdin/Approved 5:0**

8. **Public Comment**

Council Member Sands said the annual Celebrity Chefs event was a great success and she thanked the Lions Club for supporting it over the years.

Council Member Holmes pointed out that today is International Womens' Day.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

9. **Introduction of Fire Code Adoption**

Conduct a Public Hearing, and introduce for a first reading by title only an ordinance for adoption: the Uniform Fire Code, Very High Fire Severity Zones, Fire Safe Standards, and amendment to the Building Code.

Fire Chief Mark D'Ambrogi said adoption of the Fire Code would be consistent with that adopted by Placer County last year. With the exception of the spacing between fire hydrants, everything else is the same as Placer County's and surrounding fire districts. This entire ordinance is a model ordinance that was developed by the state Fire Marshal.

The revisions in the Building Code will insure that there will be no conflicts with the fire safe standards.

By **MOTION** introduce for a first reading by title only an **ORDINANCE** to adopt the Uniform Fire Code with amendments, the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones, the Fire Safe Standards and the amendments to the Building Code. **MOTION: Sands/Hanley/Approved 5:0**

First Reading by title only by City Attorney Charles Wachob.

## **REPORTS**

### **10. Informational Reports from Staff**

#### **A. Airport Manager's Monthly Report**

Airport Manager Jerry Martin reported that, due to the weather and the loss of the CHP, fuel sales for the first two months of the year are about 37% behind last year.

Regarding the property acquisition, the evaluation determination has been made and the acquisition should be complete within the next two weeks.

Regarding future funding from the FAA, the airport will probably not receive much more than the normal \$150,000 in entitlement grants.

Mr. Martin said that he is still waiting for the directives for General Aviation Airport Security from the Transportation Security Administration.

Council Member Holmes suggested that the Council hold a study session to review the whole airport situation.

#### **B. Fire Chief's Monthly Report**

Fire Chief Mark D'Ambrogi summarized the Fire Department 2003 Calendar year as outlined in the agenda.

### **11. City Council Committee Reports**

Council Member Sands said that Rob Ross of the Economic Development Commission has put together an Auburn Marketing Committee in partnership with the Auburn Arts Commission, the Arts Council of Placer County and the Sierra College Small Business Development Center. The mission is to develop an aggressive marketing campaign for a single-day tourist program to attract art shoppers to Auburn.

Mayor Maki said she emailed to the Council Members her LAFCO report, Auburn Recreation District report and her Wastewater JPA report.

## COUNCIL BUSINESS

### 12. Economic Development Commission Appointments

City Manager Bob Richardson said the EDC received seven applications for the two seats available. The EDC reviewed the applications and recommended the appointments of Gary Moffat and J. Randall Smith.

By **RESOLUTION 04-30** appoint Gary Moffat and J. Randall Smith to the Economic Development Commission. **MOTION: Sands/Holmes/ Approved 5:0**

### 13. Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, Elected Officials/Cap-to-Cap Trip

Council Member Sands proposed that Mayor Maki be selected to represent the City of Auburn.

Council Member Dowdin agreed that the Mayor should go.

Council Member Holmes also agreed that it would benefit the city for the mayor to attend. He added that he also intends to go, even if he has to pay his own way.

Dan Sokol of 1330 Deerwood Place said this is not the place to lobby. It would be better if the lobbying were done on a one-to-one basis. He also disagreed with the numbers put forth in the agenda under Fiscal Impact. He said the total should be only \$1,481.

Art Krueger of 11270 Wisteria said the money would be better spent on some of the needed projects.

In response to Misters Sokol and Krueger, Mayor Maki said that last year she and Council Member Dowdin attended. She felt that, as a direct result of their participation, the City of Auburn received \$8 million to \$10 million for the taxpayers of Auburn.

Council Member Hanley expressed concern that Auburn does not have a comprehensive, ongoing federal and state lobbying agenda.

By **RESOLUTION 04-31** authorize Mayor Maki or her designee to attend the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce Cap-to-Cap trip. **MOTION: Sands/Dowdin/Approved 5:0**

14. **Reorganization of City Operations**

City Manager Bob Richardson said that with the retirement of the City's Building Official/Facilities Director and after review of the various operational configurations, it was determined that having a dedicated building department is no longer necessary. The city has been functioning under a new configuration and it has worked smoothly. By eliminating one level of bureaucracy and one independent department, it is hoped the city can increase efficiency in the development review process.

The annual savings for this reorganization will be roughly \$9,000.

Dan Sokol of 1330 Deerwood Place said he liked the reorganization but was disappointed that it took a consultant to do it rather than in-house staff.

- A. By **RESOLUTION 04-32** approve the reorganization, job descriptions and salary ranges. **MOTION: Dowdin/Sands/Approved 4:1/ No: Holmes**
- B. By **MOTION** authorize staff to begin recruitment for Building Official position. **MOTION: Dowdin/Sands/Approved by voice (No: Holmes)**

**ADJOURNMENT** at 7:51 p.m.

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Cheryl Maki, Mayor

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Joseph G.R. Labrie, City Clerk